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Dear Ms. Collazo:

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This is in response to the correspondence, dated January 17, 1992, from A.L. Taboas, of your office, concerning the status of the Argonne National Laboratory (ANL) sites for scoring under the Hazard Ranking System (HRS). This also follows up a telephone conversation made to your office by Alan Altur, of my staff.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is currently reviewing information on the ANL sites for preparation of HRS packages which could lead to proposal onto the National Priorities List (NPL). In response to your particular questions, we can not provide ANL with any preliminary determinations on the HRS score and possible proposal. When the site is proposed in the Federal Register, the U.S. EPA will be able to provide a copy of the scoring package and provide a comment period of sixty days. A Remedial Project Manager will not be assigned until the site is proposed.

The preparation of HRS packages is assigned to PRC, who is contracted by our Agency to perform Site Assessment and HRS scoring. The Work Assignment Manager for this project is Jeanne Griffin and the Site Assessment Manager for Illinois is Alan Altur, both members of the Site Assessment Section, Office of Superfund. Their phone numbers are (312) 886-3007 and 886-0390, respectively. Any questions concerning the ANL sites should be directed to them at this time. PRC staff may be in contact with your office if additional information is needed for preparation of the HRS.

In response to your concerns regarding RCRA corrective actions and their effect on possible listing on the NPL, it has been decided that the RCRA deferral policy applicable to private sites might not be appropriate to federal facilities. Therefore, federal facility sites can be listed, even if they are subject to the corrective action authorities of Subtitle C of RCRA. This is stated in the Federal Register, Vol. 54, No. 47, Page 10521.

Please feel free to contact the members of my staff listed before if you have any additional questions or concerns. Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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